## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 186 By Graves

A RESOLUTION To honor and recognize Christopher Francis Burke, 2001 Valedictorian of Hendersonville High School.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Francis Burke is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2001 graduating class at Hendersonville High School; and

WHEREAS, Through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Christopher has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, During his remarkable high school career, Christopher has earned a perfect 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Francis Burke has earned numerous honors during his high school career and competed admirably in numerous academic competitions; he received Hendersonville High School's Geometry and World Geography Awards in 1999 and the Calculus Award in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Christopher placed second in the TMTA Geometry Contest in 1999 and second in the TMTA Advanced Topics Contest in 2000; in 2001, he placed fifth in the BPA Financial Math and fourth in the BPA Networking Concepts competitions, and won the Business Calculations competition at the FBLA State Conference; and

WHEREAS, A well-balanced young man, Christopher's non-academic activities include basketball, football, soccer, billiards and working with computers; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Burke's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Daniel Burke and Nancy Burke, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Francis Burke's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success at Tennessee Technological University and throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, His dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor Christopher Francis Burke, the 2001 Valedictorian of Hendersonville High School, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for much happiness and every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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